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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>
	09/902,986	SHARIF ET AL.
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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b)

## Status

1)  Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 June 2004.

2a)  This action is **FINAL**.                    2b)  This action is non-final.

3)  Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

## Disposition of Claims

4)  Claim(s) 1 is/are pending in the application.  
4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.  
5)  Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.  
6)  Claim(s) 1 is/are rejected.  
7)  Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.  
8)  Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

## Application Papers

9)  The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10)  The drawing(s) filed on 18 June 2004 is/are: a)  accepted or b)  objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11)  The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

12)  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  
a)  All b)  Some \* c)  None of:  
1.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  
2.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.  
3.  Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

1)  Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  
2)  Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  
3)  Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.  
4)  Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.  
5)  Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)  
6)  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office Action is in response to the Remarks submitted on June 18, 2004.
2. The present patent application claims priority from domestic US Application 60/217,628 filed 11 July 2000.
3. The submitted amendments to the Specification are considered and entered into the file.
4. The submitted amended Drawings are also accepted and entered into the file.
5. The pending claim 1 is examined as follow:

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

6. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Istvan et al (US Publication No. 2002/0060750).

With regard to claim 1:

Istvan discloses a method of displaying multimedia contents on a display area of a broadband internet-enabled television system. The method of Istvan discloses what is claimed in the present application.

As claimed in the present application, Istvan discloses a method for accessing information on the Internet. The method includes a browser, a computer system (Internet appliance), wherein the computer system includes a display. Istvan also includes a remote control (having reduced-key-set) (fig. 11), wherein the remote controller includes a plurality of keys including directional keys, numeric keys, and a number of function keys.

The method further includes displaying a user interface screen on the display device, wherein the screen is divided into a plurality of screen layout areas, that is, primary display screen area (e.g. fig. 3, #301), and at least a primary controls on the left side (first control area) (e.g. fig. 3, #302) and a context-sensitive area on the top (second control area) (e.g. fig. 3, #304). As in the present invention the primary screen area is used to display content information of a web page or any access able information source (e.g. figs. 4, and 10, 13-17). The first control area containing one or more mode icons for selecting a mode of the browser application, and the second control area containing one or more command icons depending/associating with the selected mode (fig. 8-9).

Similar to a navigating mode, Istvan further describes displaying a plurality of selectable interface elements including selectable (via remote control) web pages (e.g. figs. 8, and 9).

Also, similar to a browser mode, Istvan further describes displaying content of the selected displayed element, such as content of a web page, content of a selected TV

channel, advertisement content, and other content information (e.g. figs. 4, 10, and 13-17).

Furthermore, in either modes associated command icons are available for selection (via remote controller) (e.g. figs. 4, 8-10, and 13-17, also refer to description of the figs.).

### ***Conclusion***

7. Copies of the priority document (60/193,046) are herein provided. The priority document discloses every element of the claimed subject matter of claim 1. Thus, since the priority document discloses every claimed element of the current invention, the rejection still stands, and the Action is made Final.

8. The prior art made of record on form PTO-892 and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Applicant is required under 37 C.F.R § 1.111(c) to consider the reference fully when responding to this action. The documents cited therein Gottfurcht et al US Pat. No. 6,600,497 teaches a method of providing easy navigation/browsing a document by using a single or fewer keys. The teaching is similar to the present claimed invention.

**THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the

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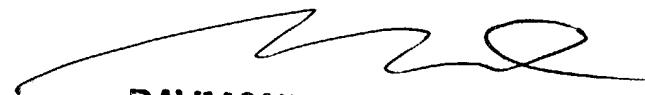
shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Tadesse Hailu, whose telephone number is (571) 273-4051. The Examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 10:00 - 630 ET. If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, John Cabeca, can be reached at (571) 273-4048 Art Unit 2173.

10. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

*Tadesse Hailu*

November 17, 2004



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